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Docket No.: 10406/16

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS : M. Pamela GRIFFIN et al.  
SERIAL NO. : (Continuation of 09/271,279)  
FILED : Herewith  
FOR : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE EARLY  
DIAGNOSIS OF SUBACUTE, POTENTIALLY  
CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS  
GROUP ART UNIT : 3762 (Anticipated)  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please make the amendments noted below.

**IN THE TITLE**

Change the title to read: --METHOD FOR THE EARLY DIAGNOSIS OF SUBACUTE,  
POTENTIALLY CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS --

**IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION**

Please substitute the ~~Abstract~~ of the Invention enclosed on separate page for the present Abstract.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

*ME* After "TITLE OF THE INVENTION", insert the following paragraph: